



## COURSE REGISTRATION

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Emergency Medical Services  
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All registrants must have an email account. If you do not currently have access to email, a free account can be arranged through Yahoo, gmail or various other agencies.

Space is limited and available **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED**. We encourage early registration so we can provide the best service to our participants.

### Registration

FEES: GEMS for BLS: **\$150**.

The registration fee covers the cost of record keeping expenses, program materials, faculty expenses and continuing education recording.

Course materials will be mailed 4-6 weeks prior to class once the enrollment form and payment have been received.

WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT PHONE REGISTRATIONS.

### Registration Deadline

All registrations must be received no later than six (6) business days before the first day of class.

### Refund Information

You will receive a refund of all but \$25 of your registration fee if registration is canceled prior to the mailing of course materials. After course materials have been mailed, until 48 hours prior to the beginning of the course, a 50% refund will be provided. No tuition refund will be provided if cancellation is less than 48 hours prior to the beginning of the course.

The EMSLRC reserves the right to cancel the program due to insufficient enrollment. In this event, you will be notified and your entire registration fee refunded.

We are unable to accept course transfers.

### Continuing Education Credits

Nursing CEUs are not offered for this course.

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics EMSLRC will award 8.0 hours of continuing education for EMS providers with 100 percent attendance at the GEMS for BLS course.

Full time attendance is required.



# GEMS (Geriatric Education for Emergency Medical Services) Course

Tuesday-Wednesday  
December 1-2, 2009

Garner, Iowa  
(Garner Ambulance Service)

EMS Learning Resources Center

## GEMS for BLS Course

### Course Description

The American Geriatrics Society (AGS) and the National Council of State EMS Training Coordinators (NCSEMSTC) have partnered to bring you Geriatric Education for Emergency Medical Services (GEMS).

The GEMS course is designed to address all of the special needs of the older population, including the geriatric objectives within the National Standard Curricula for EMS and for the National Registry Refresher course.

The two, half-day GEMS for BLS course is geared towards all levels of EMS.

### Pre-Requisite

Each registrant must be a health care provider or allied health care provider.

### GEMS for BLS Objectives

The GEMS program content is intended to provide the basic knowledge and skills necessary to:

- Describe the four aspects of the GEMS Diamond (geriatric, environmental, medical, social)
- Discuss and describe the physical and social aspects of aging, independence and ageism;
- Discuss principles and strategies for communicating effectively with the elderly and our responsibilities;
- Discuss management principles for various trauma and medical emergencies;
- Describe and discuss end-of-life care, hospice and palliative care programs;
- Describe assessment for abuse, documentation and reporting, and who is at risk;
- Discuss medication misuse, non-adherence and toxicity in the elderly;
- Describe epidemiology, assessment and treatment plans for psychiatric emergencies;
- Discuss EMS and community responsibilities in the quality of life in our older population.

### Faculty

Faculty includes GEMS instructors certified by the American Geriatric Society and National Council of EMS Training Coordinators, co-sponsors of the GEMS course.

### Sponsoring Provider:

University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics,  
Emergency Medical Services  
Learning Resources Center

### Location

Garner Ambulance Service  
575 West 3rd St  
Garner, IA

## Course Schedule

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

5:45 pm	Registration and Correction of Pretest
6:00	Lecture and Video: Aging
6:25	Lecture: Changes with Aging
6:55	Video: Communication Assessment
7:05	Lecture: Communicating with Older People and Their Caregivers
7:35	Break
7:45	Lecture: Assessment of the Older Patient and Pharmacology
8:15	Lecture: End-of-Life Care Issues
8:30	Scenarios and Skill Stations: Communication Challenges Patient Assessment
10:00	Recess

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

6:00 pm	Trauma, Musculoskeletal Disorders, Falls
6:30	Immobilization
6:40	Neurological Emergencies and Altered Mental Status
7:10	Break
7:20	Lecture: Respiratory and Cardiovascular Emergencies
8:00	Lecture: Elder Abuse and Neglect
8:20	Scenarios and Skill Stations: Elder Abuse; Immobilization
9:00	BLS Written Exam, Evaluation
9:30	Adjourn